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For: **A METHOD FOR THE PROTECTION OF GERMINATING SEED AND
PESTICIDE-COATED PELLETS**

Appendix C

Please amend the instant specification as indicated in the following marked-up copy of the specification.

Please amend the specification by replacing the paragraph on page 6, lines 20-35 with the following:

--Subsequently, the pellets were dried at 60°C for 45 minutes. In a fume-cupboard at room temperature 31.5 ml of a commercial coating formulation (Disco Color Red L083, Incotec) was mixed with 18.0 gram of insecticide powder (Gaucho 70 WS® Bayer) [en] in 10.4 ml of water. A batch of 90.000 dry pellets was placed in a 'Rotostat coating machine' with a diameter of 30 cm (Marline, Norfolk, England). The mixture of insecticide and coating formulation was applied by means of the standard 'spinning disc' (6 cm diameter). After 3 minutes process time, the mixture was distributed evenly over the pellets and the

pellets were transferred to a standard pelleting pan. Alternately, finishing-material (F-13, Incotec) and binding solution (Sol-1, Incotec) were added in order to produce pellets of homogenous size and shape (2.00-2.25 mm slot screen).--